

Dickinson-Johnson House
CE-1059
Near Chesapeake City
Private

C. 1860

The Dickinson-Johnson House stands along side the old^{est} road from southern Cecil County to Elkton and remains as one of the few structures near the canal crossing community of Pivot Bridge. When the canal was ^{WIDENED} all but one structure was torn down on the south side including Bethel Church. The Dickinson-Johnson House is located farther south of the 19th century group of buildings and was not effected as much. This busy road was another obvious place to display ones prominence, which is true north and south. The typical 2½ story five bay by one room center hall frame differs only slightly with segmental arched dormers.

CE-1059

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

File 292

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Dickenson-Johnson House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Bethel Cemetery Road near Bethel Cemetery

CITY, TOWN

Chesapeake City

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1

STATE

Elkton

COUNTY

Cecil

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Daniel Johnson

Telephone #: 855-5804

STREET & NUMBER

268 Bethel Cemetery Road

CITY, TOWN

Chesapeake City

☒ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21915

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Clerk of the Circuit Court

Liber #: RRC 12

Folio #: 425

STREET & NUMBER

Cecil County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Dickinson-Johnson House c. 1860 is a 2½ story five bay center hall single pile frame house on Telegraph Road and east of Chesapeake City, Md. The house faces west with the main gable running north/south.

The house rests on a partial fieldstone foundation and the frame is covered with aluminum over weatherboard siding. The steeply pitched roof is covered with composition tile shingle. A shorter rear kitchen ell is four bays across by one room deep. The eastern most two bay section is a recent frame addition.

The west side is typically symmetrical with a central entrance and two 6/9 sash on each side. The window surrounds are covered with aluminum. Five 6/6 sash illuminate the second floor rooms. Each window opening is flanked by louvered shutters. The entrance has a four light transom above the heavily molded four panel door. A simple boxed cornice stretches across at the base of the roof. The attic is lighted by two 6/6 sash dormers with segmental arched heads and fluted side pilasters.

The north gable end is basically plain with an interior end stretcher bond brick stack that is flanked by two six pane lights. A plain bargeboard closes the gable end.

The south end is similar with the addition of a single 6/6 sash on each floor. The brick stack is again flanked by six pane lights.

The east side is half way covered by the two story ell. The northern three bays are exposed and 6/9 sash windows light the first floor parlor and 6/6 sash light the second floor. A slightly unaligned hall light is located above the rear hall entrance. A six panel door with inset molding is attached to this frame. The two story frame ell has a north side entrance and adjacent sash. Two 6/6 lights illuminates the second floor. A tall brick stack rises out of the gable end of the original wing. The south side is basically the same without a side door.

The interior was not fully seen but undoubtedly detailed with third quarter of the 19th century woodwork. The interior has been generally remodeled.

A few mid 19th century farm buildings remain and include a granary, large barn and chicken houses.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The five bay center hall single pile "Georgian" plan is a predominant house type for Cecil County as well as the mid-Atlantic and eastern United States. Mid 19th century examples of the form vary slightly. Most of the differences are found with the execution of the woodwork. The house is easily dated to around 1860 since it is not found on the 1858 Martenet Map and was built after and owned in 1877 by S. Dickinson.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Paul B. Touart Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Cecil County Committee

DATE

5/20/80

STREET & NUMBER

Cecil County Couthouse

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CITY OR TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

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Chesapeake City

CHESAPEAKE

NEW CASTLE CO
CECIL CO

DELAWARE
MARYLAND

CREEK

BACK

Water

Mooring Basin

St Basil's Sch.

Bethel

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AND

DELAWARE

Mooring Basin

Levee

Levee

BM 42

54

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169

1059

BM 55

429

(CECILTON)
5862 IV NE

SAINT AUGUSTINE C.C. MI

47'30"

400 000 FEET (DEL.)

434

435000m

DISTRICT NO

INTERIOR—GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, WASHINGTON, D.C.



DICKINSON - JOHNSON HOUSE

CE - 1059

NORTH ELEVATION

NW CITESIPHENCE CITY, MD.

CECIL

10/79

PBT

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DICKINSON - JOHNSON HOUSE

CE-1059

WEST ELEVATION

NW PITHESMEATHE CITY, MD.

10/79

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